

News Briefs

Assistant position available

The 52nd Fighter Wing seeks a command chief's assistant to begin Dec. 1. Any staff or technical sergeant with office experience who can provide administrative support to the command chief may apply. Some duties include reviewing senior NCO enlisted performance reports and enlisted decorations for accuracy and compliance; typing reports, correspondence and more; assisting in administrative, protocol and clerical aspects for specific projects; scheduling and coordinating meetings; maintaining all office files and records; and coordinating the command chief's travel arrangements. Applicants must have the ability to independently organize, prioritize and handle multiple complex projects daily. Attention to detail and excellent interpersonal and communication skills are very critical. Applicants must get the approval of their immediate supervisors and squadron commanders before submitting their name to the 52 FW/CCA organizational box for the position. Call Master Sgt. Lisa Friend at 452-6378 for details.

New shuttle schedule

The Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex Mass Transit Shuttle stops now include the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron building 762 and 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron buildings 704 and 780. The extended route provides an alternate mode of transportation for duty and space-available passengers who need to travel to and from the 726th Air Mobility Squadron terminal. For details, visit the base Intranet at <http://intranet/52fw/52msg/52lrs/81grv/BUS.asp>.

Climate assessment

The biennial Air Force Climate Assessment survey continues through Nov. 23. Air Force members, and appropriated and non-appropriated-fund civilians are encouraged to participate in this opportunity to make an impact on their work environments. Surveys can be completed online at <https://afclimatesurvey.af.mil>.

Flu-vaccination hold

The administration of flu vaccinations is temporarily on hold. The 52nd Medical Group has not yet received its shipment of the vaccine. Announcements will be made as soon as the vaccine is available.

Veterans Day events

All of Team Eifel is encouraged to attend the Veterans Day ceremony taking place Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. at Hamm Cemetery in Luxembourg. A 52nd FW flyby is on schedule and the Eifel Singers are scheduled to perform. Visit the Spangdahlem AB Intranet site Veterans Day Ceremony link for more information. Contact group POCs for information about travel and to sign-up.

Kickin' it

Teamwork is key to winning soccer championships at Camp Darby.

Read "Spang's men's soccer wins USAFE, Army/Air Force titles" on Page 8



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0 DUIs in the Last 30 Days

Days since last DUI: **34**

Large unit with best record: 52nd Communications Squadron, 301 days
Small units with best record: 52nd Comptroller Squadron, 1,344 days

Data Courtesy of the 52nd SFS

When going out, have a plan or call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 06565-61-2233.

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Airman 1st Class Josie Kemp

War games

Chief Master Sgt. Monte Malek, 52nd Mission Support Group superintendent, prepares to fire his weapon during the Chiefs and Eagles Phase II expeditionary combat skills and convoy training here Oct. 28. As part of air expeditionary force training, Saber leaders "lead the way" with an afternoon filled with weapons familiarization, combat life saving skills, combat convoy and laser M-9 training. Read "Exercise set to prep Sabers for deployment," on Page 2.

Every USAFE member should take pride in CSIP successes

By Lt. Gen. Robert D. Bishop Jr.

U.S. Air Forces in Europe vice commander

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany (USAFENS) -- In the three months since becoming part of U.S. Air Forces in Europe, I've been continually amazed by the incredible things going on in this command and the men and women who make it happen.

USAFE is one of the busiest MAJCOMs in the Air Force. Whether it's supporting peacekeeping and humanitarian operations across the globe, participating in international relations events like the Russian air show or ensuring our readiness through the multitude of exercises conducted within our area of operations, the USAFE team works together and accomplishes extraordinary work.

But, what's even more exciting is to see what's happening right here on our own stomping grounds.

Regardless of the climate or time of day, USAFE members are out jogging and using our fitness centers -- and the hard work is showing outstanding results. In Fiscal 2005, USAFE reduced marginal and poor fitness scores on the Air Force physical training test by 65 percent. Now, only one in 20 Airmen is in this "at risk" range, and the numbers are continuing to drop. Consequently, we're the only MAJCOM achieving above 90 percent in the new AF Fitness Readiness metric; a new fitness statistic developed and proposed by USAFE. Combat Fitness is a proven success -- USAFE Airmen are Fit-to-Fight.

**Special
from
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Our USAFE team is not only physically ready, but also medically prepared. Over 90 percent of our Airmen are ready to deploy at a moment's notice. To put this in perspective a bit, the Air Force average is currently at 83 percent. USAFE knows what it takes to be expeditionary, and we're blazing the trail for the rest of the Air Force.

The focus on quality of life and providing superior service in the command is also amazing.

Since Combat Care began, more than 15,000 reintegration "survival" brochures have been distributed to deployed Airmen and their families. The command emphasis on this quality of life program assists and supports our Airmen as they execute a smooth transition from deployment back to home station.

Additionally, the command has removed significant barriers to the college classroom and is striving to satisfy our younger troops desire to learn. Among our junior NCOs and Airmen, college enrollments have increased by more than 15 percent from Fiscal Year 2003 to Fiscal Year 2005. This is a reflection on the "user friendly" education opportunities we have here in USAFE as a result of Combat Education.

I could go on and on about all the good news stories I see happening here in our command. Everywhere I look, the top-notch work, drive and pride of our USAFE team is readily apparent. The list of Combat and Special Interest Program successes is astounding and it's all driven by the men and women of USAFE.

Prepare to fight



Fight to win



Take care of each other



Above, Chief Master Sgts. Dean Lindvig, front, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron munitions flight chief and Steven Lage, 52nd Fighter Wing Inspections superintendent, listen for instructions during the wing's Chiefs and Eagles expeditionary combat skills and convoy training session Oct. 28. The wing plans office designed the session to give chief master sergeants and commanders here insight to training that will be provided during the upcoming Phase II exercise. Right, Master Sgt. Joe Lemke, left, 52nd Services Squadron first sergeant, and Chief Master Sgt. Maurice Harris, 52nd Maintenance Group wing weapons manager, simulate removing a casualty from a hostile environment.



Exercise set to prep Sabers for deployment

By Chief Master Sgt. Steven Lage
52nd Fighter Wing Plans, Program and Inspection superintendent

There is always stress associated with a Phase II exercise -- What's expected of me? Do I have the skills required to meet the challenges?

The purpose of the Phase II exercise taking place Nov. 7-10 is designed specifically to answer these questions. The exercise is designed differently than any we have experienced in the past. It is a combat skills training week combined with some typical phase II exercises.

Our scenario places 52nd Fighter Wing members "downrange" immediately after an outstanding deployment. The mission objective is to gain the additional training required before taking over combat operations. Sabers are scheduled to work 24-hour shifts, control centers are activated, and the wing command structure is organized for Phase II operations. The entire base is in play with a few exceptions. Sabers will don in full individual protective equipment and

train during both day and night shifts.

The uniform for the exercise is the desert camouflage uniform; however, not all Sabers have a DCU set. Sabers who do not have a serviceable set of DCUs can wear their battle dress uniforms. The purpose of wearing DCUs is two-fold: The exercise scenario is set in a "downrange environment," and Sabers wearing the DCU can be readily identified as having deployment experience. Secondly, previously deployed Sabers can serve as mentors to troops who have not yet deployed.

The concept for the next two Phase II exercises is walk, then run. The November exercise will lay the foundation for the "run" mode of the Phase II exercise Dec. 5-9. It is the wing's goal that more than 2,500 Sabers receive this valuable training designed to help them operate and survive in real-world Phase II downrange environments.

Many people and organizations have contributed significant resources, time and expertise to achieve this wing goal. Special



52nd Fighter Wing Command Chief Master Sgt. Jimmy Kelly takes cover behind a Humvee when his convoy is ambushed.

thanks go to the 52nd Civil Engineer, Logistics Readiness, Security Forces and 606th Air Control Squadrons. Appreciation is also extended to the 52nd Medical Group for contributing expertise, time and

resources to make the Phase II training week possible. Upon completion of the week, the wing will be better equipped with skills for the next exercise and real-world deployments.

Combat Flightline : Award program promotes excellence

By Maj. Matt Gamblin
U.S. Air Forces in Europe Logistics

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany – Taking pride in their aircraft's appearance and keeping them in top-notch shape has paid off for several dedicated crew chiefs within the command thanks to the Combat Flightline program.

The program, which measures key maintenance data from the command's flying wings in an effort to ensure aircraft readiness, reliability and safety, sponsors two quarterly competitions.

The U.S. Air Forces in Europe Aircraft Appearance and Dedicated Crew Chief of the Quarter awards not only grant a crew chief bragging rights and a reserved parking spot, but they also highlight the DCC and winning jet for special or high-visibility missions.

"The Airmen who keep our planes in the air are doing a great job and the Combat Flightline program gives us a way to measure and recognize all the hard work they do," said

Brig. Gen. Jay Lindell, USAFE director of logistics.

The first competition is the Aircraft Appearance Award. The focus in this category is on how the aircraft appearance is maintained. Exterior and interior appearance, safety equipment assigned to the aircraft, maintenance forms associated with the aircraft and even the dedicated crew chief assigned to the aircraft all contribute in the scoring of the aircraft. Each wing commander leads a panel of judges to inspect the fleet each quarter and announces the wing winner.

The second competition is the DCC of the Quarter. The DCC is an aircraft maintainer who owns overall responsibility for an aircraft. Each DCC completely manages maintenance activities for a single aircraft, both at home station and deployed, when possible.

"Like the pride of having aircrew names on an aircraft, the DCC's name painted on the side of an aircraft is also a source of great pride for our maintainers," said General Lindell.

Each winner must have managed the aircraft's flying record for the month, minimized discrepancies and ensured top-notch appearance. As in the appearance category, each wing selects and announces the quarterly winner.

Recent winners are: 31st Fighter Wing, Aircraft No. 2057, Dedicated Crew Chief Staff Sgt. Brandon Morris, Assistant Dedicated Crew Chief Senior Airman Davy Ferguson; 48th FW, Aircraft No. 2000, DCC Staff Sgt. Jeremy Tysinger, ADCC Senior Airman Mitchell Miller; 52nd FW, Aircraft 1954, DCC Staff Sgt. Franklin Newberry, ADCC Airman 1st Class Matthew Houston; 85th Group, Aircraft No. 206, DCC Staff Sgt. Zachery Albete, ADCC Staff Sgt. Joseph Busque; and 86th Airlift Wing, Aircraft No. 496, DCC Staff Sgt. Lee Pederson, ADCC Staff Sgt. Richard Petersen, 100th Air Reserve Wing, Aircraft No. 62-3551, DCC Staff Sgt. Craig Lambert and ADCC Airman 1st Class Thomas Nightingale. (USAFE News Service)



Airman 1st Class Josie Kemp

Top Saber Performer

Name: Senior Airman Joshua T. Gorski
Unit: 52nd Dental Squadron
Duty title: Dental laboratory journeyman
Hometown: St. Louis, Mo.
Years in service: 2.5
Nominee's contributions to 52nd Fighter Wing mission success: As a dental laboratory journeyman, Airman Gorski has single-handedly operated a four-technician dental lab during a two-month manning shortage. His polished technical skills enabled him to perform advanced laboratory duties as a seasoned technician creating \$20,000 of crowns, bridges, implants, prostheses, dentures and orthodontic appliances. His efforts contributed to a remarkable wing deployment rate of 97 percent, beating

the Air Force goal by two percent. In addition, Airman Gorski took charge of the flammables and hazardous waste processes with zero discrepancies, resulting in an outstanding ECAMP rating. He also led skills demonstrations to 60 elementary students during National Children's Dental Health month, creating a "learning is fun" hands-on dental laboratory experience for the youth.

Off-duty volunteerism and professional development pursuits: I tutor English as a second language to German children and contribute plants and flowers to local village beautification projects. I recently attended the 52nd Fighter Wing's Customer College course and the Airman's Professional Enhancement Course.

What do you do for fun? I enjoy exploring Europe, particularly prehistoric and medieval sites.

What do you like most about being stationed here? I enjoy the food, travel and cultural experiences.

What's one thing you'd like to see changed or improved at Spangdahlem Air Base? I'd like to see a 24-hour restaurant and a proper coffee house open here.



Airman Emily Moore

Top Saber Team

Unit Name: 52nd Medical Group Multi-Specialty Clinic

Unit responsibilities: The team provides general surgery, internal medicine and orthopedic care for 52nd Fighter Wing assigned members and their families.

Number of members: 14

Team's latest contributions to 52nd Fighter Wing mission success: The team keeps Sabers constantly ready to project superior combat power by providing world-class healthcare to over 16,000 active duty, family members and civilians in the Eifel region. Additionally, it provides outreach support to various U.S. Army bases, Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, and to five geographically separated units throughout Europe. While evaluating, treating and operating on patients, these Saber medics are dedicated to ensuring combat readiness and promoting wellness of the wing.

Team's other contribution throughout the year: The MSC saw more than 5,000 patients this past year and provided more than 500 patients with both emergency and elective surgical procedures. By coordinating and providing outreach programs to outlying military bases, the MSC saved more than \$25,000 and 1,500 hours of labor. Its members recently deployed to the former Soviet state Kazakhstan as a Mobile Field Surgical Team in support of NASA. Its surgeons and nurse provided support to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in the care of patients returning from Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom. Physicians and technicians received emergency medical support training at Brooks-City Base to remain combat-ready for field operations and deployments. All members assigned engage in activities on and around Spangdahlem Air Base to include Just Airmen!, Tier Two, Boy Scouts of America, Protestant Women of the Chapel, Non-Commissioned Officers Association, and Schuelerlernhilfe -- an English tutoring organization.

Eifel Salutes

Wing Quarterly Awards

Congratulations to the quarterly award winners for the third quarter of 2005 Airman: **Senior Airman Karen Harris**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron; NCO: **Staff Sgt. Michael Brancato**, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron; SNCO: **Master Sgt. Salvatore Belloise**, 52nd Fighter Wing Inspections; Company Grade Officer: **Capt. Jason Bylow**, 52nd Security Forces Squadron; Junior-level civilian: **Marc Schumaker**, 52nd CES; Mid-level civilian: **Sue Panfil**, 52nd Operations Group; and Senior-level civilian: **Sally Fuller**, 52nd Services Squadron.

52nd Operations Group

It doesn't take a lot of smarts to figure out **1st Lt. Derek Britton**, **Staff Sgt. Summer Whitaker** and **Senior Airman Ken Warren** deserve a salute for being named Intelligence Professionals of the Quarter for July-Sept.

52nd Maintenance Group

Non-stop action by **Staff Sgt. Robert Jackson** on fitness, inbound personnel and other programs earns this crew chief a salute for his support while augmenting the Aircraft Maintenance Squadron's Commander's Support Staff. Present Arms to **Tech. Sgt. Joshua Ohl**, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, armament flight production supervisor for correcting tracking errors and overseeing fixes to aircraft armament systems. Everybody root for **Senior Airman Jacklyn Rooney**, the 52nd EMS munitions flight Airman of the month, for scheduling training appointments, taking classes, and raising funds for Hurricane Katrina relief. A salute for the "AGEs" ... congratulations to **Senior Airman Odis Tucci** and **Staff Sgt. Victor Lopez** for winning the 52nd EMS aerospace ground equipment flight's "Top Ranger" award. Kudos are also in order for **Staff Sgt. Aaron Cox** for his expert guidance of four F-16s through their 400-hour phase inspections, and for overhauling a \$250,000 landing gear set.

52nd Mission Support Group

The postal service doesn't give up, and **Senior Airman Earnest Buffin**'s outstanding customer service during a USAFE postal inspection earned him a wing coin and the 52nd Communications Squadron's Airman of the Quarter nod. We also volunteer a huge salute to MSG civilian volunteer **Sandy Rodriguez**,



whose continuous support to out-bound personnel, including final-out briefings, port calls and other out-processing requirements, gives new meaning to the word volunteer.

Here's to you, **Stacey Robinson** (you probably hate it when people sing that, right?), a Human Relations Office assistant who ensures customers get first-rate attention. A tip of the hat to

Veronica Stange, who completed courses required for her Certified Hospitality Supervisor certification, and **Chris Bernarde**, who is now a Certified Hospitality Housekeeping Executive. Raise your glasses to **Master Sgt. Pamela Cooke** for her selection as the MSG SNCO of the quarter. BAM! Hat es geschmeckt? A salute to **Master Sgt. James Cairl** and the **Mosel Dining Facility Staff** for their outstanding food show that collected comments and suggestions on the food service program.

Appreciation

Senior Master Sgt. Ronald Manning, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron first sergeant, thanks the **Saber community** for its generous contributions to the Senior Airman Timothy Alford and Airman 1st Class Erik Salazar Memorial Fund. Your contributions gave their families an opportunity to do things they otherwise would not have been able to accomplish.

DoDDS

A+ to the **Department of Defense Dependent Schools-Europe's fourth and eighth graders** for scoring above the national average on the National Assessment of Educational Progress mathematics exam!

CDC Stars

A sharp Saber salute to the wing's career development course examination aces who all scored 90 percent or more on their tests: **Staff Sgt. Jeffrey Openbrier**, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron, 94; **Staff Sgt. Daniel Crane**, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, 91; **Staff Sgt. Michael Holcomb**, 52nd EMS, 92; **Airman Chasen Fehrle**, 52nd EMS, 93; **Airman 1st Class Lyndon Moore**, 52nd Services Squadron, 92; **Airman 1st Class Matthew Sparks**, 606th Air Control Squadron 95.

Kudos to all; Team Eifel salutes you!

(Compiled by Capt. Michael Cumberworth, 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)



Senior Airman Amaani Lyle

Commander's Mentoring Program

Capt. Robert J. Shapiro, 52nd Medical Support Squadron Pharmacy Flight deputy commander, discusses wing plans and the mission with **Col. Dave Goldfein**, 52nd Fighter Wing commander, Sept. 14. The captain chats with the commander as part of the **Commander's Mentorship Program**, in which the commander spends a dedicated block of time with a selected enlisted person or officer. A Middletown, Conn., native with three years of Air Force experience, Captain Shapiro moved here in June and looks forward to many travel experiences while stationed in Europe.



Base bio: Using cold water best for 'getting the lead out'

By Lt. Col. James Harcarik
52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron
Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight

Water samples recently collected from the Spangdahlem Air Base Military Family Housing area by the 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight contained levels of lead over the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Defense's Final Governing Standard-Germany action level for lead in water. Three out of twenty homes sampled had levels that exceeded this standard.

Results of tests performed at Bitburg Annex MFH before the water system was turned over to German control were all below the action level.

The samples were "first catch" samples, meaning the water had sat in contact with household plumbing for six or more hours. First catch samples are required because the source of lead in drinking water is usually the household plumbing. Water sitting in contact with lead solder or brass fittings can poten-

Minimizing the amount of lead in water is as simple as letting the tap run to flush out stagnant water.

tially leach lead over time. Annual testing of water wells feeding Spangdahlem AB shows that the water is free of lead, so the logical source of lead is the plumbing or faucet fixtures in homes.

Whenever the tests show that the level of lead in household water is above the action level, it is advisable to reduce the lead level in the tap water as much as possible. Minimizing the amount of lead in water is as simple as letting the tap run to flush out stagnant water.

Flight members have sampled water from the faucets after letting it run until reaching its coldest temperature. The results show that this is an extremely

effective method for eliminating the higher concentrations of lead that occur when the water has not been run for several hours. Depending on how much water is being used in the building, this could be as short as five seconds or as long as two minutes.

An additional precaution is to only use water from the cold tap for drinking, cooking and especially for preparing baby formula. Hot water dissolves lead faster than cold water. Therefore, if lead is present in the plumbing, hot water is likely to contain higher levels of lead.

Some commercially available water filters are 99 percent effective at removing lead from water, and may be used by residents who wish to achieve an additional measure of protection. The National Sanitation Foundation verifies the effectiveness of various brands of water filters at www.nsf.org.

Call the 52nd AMDS Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight at 452-8348 for more information.

AFOSI Airman wins Levitow honor at ALS Class 06-1 grad ceremony

By Staff Sergeant Omeaterance L. Mewborn
Pitsenbarger Airman Leadership School

Senior Airman Julia Merrill received top honors, the John L. Levitow award, from Airman Leadership School Class 06-1. During the graduation ceremony Wednesday Senior Airman William Larock received the Academic Achievement award, and Senior Airman Phillip Granath received the Leadership award. Distinguished graduates were Senior Airmen Richard J. Trask II, Granath, Tyler Berensen, Travis Ferguson and Joseph Schescke. The other 54 graduates were:

Eagle Flight

Senior Airmen Kriangsak Kohjararoentham, 23rd Fighter Squadron, Joshua Huanks, 703rd Munitions Support Squadron, Kacy Akin, 52nd Security Forces Squadron, Jason Billingsley, 702nd Munitions Support Squadron, Heriberto Dejesus, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, Granath, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron, Donald Hester, 606th Air Control Squadron, John Key, 52nd SFS, Melissa Lopez, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron, Edward Middleton, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron, Branden Paddock, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron, Randi Pastian, 52nd Operations Support Squadron, Robert Quinones, 52nd Communications Squadron, and Joshua Smith, 52nd EMS

Falcon Flight

Senior Airmen Justin Ouellette, 52nd AMXS, Eric Courtney, 52nd EMS, Berensen, 52nd CMS, Anthonio Dais,

52nd EMS, Jeremy Francisco, 52nd OSS, Frank Herty, 52nd Medical Support Squadron, Catherine Kauffman, 52nd EMS, Larock, 606th ACS, Richard Martinez, 52nd SFS, Nicholes Meadows, 52nd EMS, Merrill, 51st Field Investigations Squadron Detachment 515, Austin Murray, 701st Munitions Support Squadron, Joshua Severson, 52nd AMXS, Michael Stitt, 52nd LRS, and Franklin Wilson, 52nd CS

Warthog Flight

Senior Airmen Tanisha Deweese, 52nd AMXS, Nathan Quidley, 703rd MUNSS, Tommy Bloom, 701st MUNSS, Stephen Burnett, 606th ACS, Jeremiah Clark, 52nd AMXS, Ferguson, 52nd EMS, James Gnau, 470th Air Base Squadron, James Kulpa, 703rd MUNSS, Jesse Lamouroux, 52nd AMXS, Brandon McGaha, 52nd Maintenance Group, John Nichols, 702nd MUNSS, Eric Oltmer, 52nd OSS, Elliot Pawloski, 52nd EMS, Keith Pierson, 606th ACS, and Angela Zuniga, 701st MUNSS

Magic Flight

Senior Airmen Schescke, 52nd CMS, Christopher McKiven, 701st MUNSS, Michael Bartlett, 606th ACS, Amy Dynan, 52nd OSS, James Earwood, 52nd CES, Shannon Hause, 52nd LRS, Brian Hawthorne, 52nd AMXS, Darrell King, 52nd EMS, Mathew Larsen, 470th ABS, Christopher Maness, 52nd AMXS, Dave Pimentel, 726th Air Mobility Squadron, Lisa Silva, 606th ACS, Aaron Stadelmaier, 52nd EMS and Trask, 51st FIS, Det. 515.

Driving too fast on foggy B-50 wrecks week

By David A. Barker
52nd Security Forces Squadron

Team Eifel members were involved in three major accidents and 12 minor wrecks this past week.

The first major crash was on the B-50 outside of Bitburg. Driving at speeds too fast for the foggy conditions resulted in this crash, which disabled the vehicle.

Major wreck number two was on the A-60 near the B-51 overpass. Inattentive driving caused this accident. While trying to pass another car, the driver

There were no driving-under-the-influence incidents over the weekend.

misjudged the distance and hit the other car.

The third major wreck happened on the B-257 in Luxembourg. The accident report is still open. The driver was injured in this single-car accident.

Team Eifel members were involved in 12 minor wrecks: two from driving at

speeds too fast for conditions, one happened in a parking lot, four were the result of improper backing, two were from inattentive driving and three involved wildlife.

Driving facts

Team Eifel's record of days without a DUI is 36, which the base will match Nov. 6. The base can set a new record every day after Nov. 6 that Team Eifel members complete without a DUI incident. This would break the DUI trend and keep the base at 29 DUIs for the year.

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Col. Dave Goldfein

November Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Goal	Flown	Delta
22FS	257	0	0
23FS	289	0	-3
81FS	263	0	0

*Delta is contract vs. sorties flown to date.

Through Nov. 1

Courtesy of the
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Heroes

Trusted counselors, like pond ripples, extend into every aspect of our lives

By Col. Victor A. Folarin

52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron commander

I remember throwing pebbles into ponds when I was younger and being fascinated by the ripples they generated. The ripples would grow larger and expand ever outward, emanating from the center. The ripples remind me of the unsung mentors in our lives.

Air Force Policy Directive 36-34 is all about mentorship. It defines a mentor as "a trusted counselor and guide." It was the unsung mentors who taught me the facts of life and had many aspirations for me before I even knew there were things to aspire to. They also taught me right from wrong and ensured that I grew up to be who I am today.

Think about who was your trusted counselor from the moment you learned to talk to the moment you went to school. Who did you turn to when you were faced with tough decisions, and who encouraged you when you needed it or gave you a shoulder to cry on when you needed one?

It was the unsung mentors who taught me the facts of life and had many aspirations for me before I even knew there were things to aspire to.

Think about all the mentoring sessions you had, some of which you sometimes called preaching, especially in your teenage years when you thought you knew everything.

It all started with our parents, the core of the ripple. Then it expanded into our families, beginning with our immediate family members, brothers and sisters. Then the ripple grew, reaching out to our extended families, grandparents, aunts and uncles.

As we basked in the comforts and assurance of all this family support, the ripples extended out to

our community, places of worship, playmates, teachers, principals and others. As our lives became more enriched with the help of mentors, we accepted the ripples of mentors in our work-places and other daily activities. Thus, the ripples enlarged until they seemed to have no end.

Who laid the foundations by dropping the pebbles that generated the ripples? Our parents; they are the unsung mentors who are often taken for granted.

They made it easier for commanders and supervisors to mentor Airmen, become part of our lives and encourage us to adopt Air Force core values. For some, it is easier because there was a flawless foundation already laid. For others, it is a little harder, but commanders and supervisors cannot give up on the challenge.

Thank you for all the pebbles that started the ripples of life-long guidance — to the unsung mentors.

Letter of appreciation

Barons send spirited thanks

Dear Members of the
Eifel Community,

On behalf of the Bitburg High School Student Body, we would like to extend a great big "Thank you" to the many people who helped us to celebrate our recent homecoming week Oct. 4-8.

The week was a rousing success and a testament to the many groups and individuals who helped us to have a week like no other in celebration of the pride we have in being Barons!

The week of fun and excitement would not have been possible without the help of:

♦ The Baron Booster Club for their financial support and presence during the week.

♦ The great teachers at BHS for helping us celebrate during the week and participating in our antics.

♦ Mia Checkley for being a super mom and helping organize the dance, the half-time court presentation, the mum making workshop and the many other details that she assisted in.

♦ Estella Davidson and the snack shack crews for grilling the burgers and dishing the dogs.

♦ Master Sgt. Melvin Jobe for getting the parade started on time.

♦ Chris Howard and Senior Airman Romeo Carter-Brown for refereeing the powder puff game.

♦ The 52nd Fighter Wing Fire Dawgs and Security Forces for providing logistical support during the parade and half-time show.

♦ Audrey Burkel for help in completing the



required paperwork.

♦ Army and Air Force Exchange Service new car sales for the use of a convertible.

♦ Julia Childs, Rosie Gastelum, Nancy Warner, Master Sgt. Michael Checkley, Lt. Col. Robert Schmitz, Staff Sgt. Michael Ripple for use of your cars and for driving students in the parade

♦ Airman Corinne Millien for coordinating a slew of young volunteers to help us throughout the weekend, many who served as chaperones and clean-up crew Saturday night.

♦ The many parents and teachers who chaperoned the dance Saturday night.

♦ One large shout out to Jason and Senior Airman Christy Byers for being an awesome team at the dance and providing our students with great music and fun.

♦ And, last but not least, 52nd FW Commander Col. Dave Goldfein for plugging the BHS homecoming on the "Commander's Corner" morning show and for helping us with some last minute details before the dance.

Living overseas has its obstacles and barriers and is at times very different than going to school stateside, but each of these people and the many other supporters out there provided BHS students an experience that mimicked any state-side school. The students at BHS are proud to be part of this community and are grateful for the support!

Sincerely,

The Members of the BHS Student Council

Culture Corner

The 52nd Fighter Wing celebrates American Indian Heritage month by highlighting the significant contributions of U.S. military members, such as Army 2nd Lt. Van T. Barfoot.

Lieutenant Barfoot, a Choctaw Indian from Mississippi, was awarded the Medal of Honor for "conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity at the risk of life above and beyond the call of duty" May 23, 1944 while serving as an infantry sergeant assigned to the 157th Infantry, 45th Infantry Division in Italy during World War II.

As U.S. troops advanced from Anzio to Rome, the then technical sergeant's platoon became engaged in a heavy assault against well-entrenched enemy forces. Sergeant Barfoot crawled alone upon the enemy troops' left flank and knocked out two machine gun nests, capturing 17 German soldiers. Later that day, he repelled a German tank assault, destroying a Nazi fieldpiece, and carried two seriously wounded comrades to safety.

Visit The Medal of Honor Web site at www.medalofhonor.com for more information.





Community Mailbox

Submit "Community Mailbox" advertisements 10 days before the desired publication date to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil.



Landscaping equipment

The 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Self-Help Store has salt, spreaders, snow shovels, rakes, leaf blowers, lawnmowers and other landscaping equipment available for loan to Military Family Housing area building and dormitory managers. The store is open each Monday-Thursday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. and each Friday from 7 a.m. to noon. Call the store at 452-7163 or visit the store in Spangdahlem AB, building 120 for details.

Garage sale for JAM!

A garage sale takes place Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the base community center. Event proceeds benefit JAM! programs.

BHS early dismissal

Bitburg High School has an early dismissal Thursday at 11:10 a.m. for a teacher training in-service. For more information, call Val McCamish at 452-9202.

Native American celebration

Enjoy a traditional Native American potluck Nov. 11 at the Brick House at 6 p.m., and a performance by Morning Star, a traditional Native American dancer at 7 p.m. For details, call David Barker at 452-6544.

Book fair

A Scholastic book fair sponsored by the Parents, Teachers and Students Association takes place Monday through Nov. 11 from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Spangdahlem Elementary School. Volunteers are needed. For more information, call 06575-903961 or e-mail brewersfive@hotmail.com.

Parent/teacher conferences

Bitburg High School parent and teacher conferences take place Wednesday from 8 a.m. to noon and from 1-3 p.m. Report cards are also available for pick up this day. Parents may also make appointments with teachers for that day by calling 452-9202 or 452-9337.

Veteran's Day closures

Spangdahlem AB and Bitburg Annex Commissaries are closed Nov. 11.

Brick House tunes night

Pick Your Tunes night takes place Nov. 11 all night at Spangdahlem AB's Brick House. The DJ plays CD choices turned in throughout the night.

Nutcracker bingo

Families are invited to play bingo to win German nutcrackers and smokers Nov. 12 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Spangdahlem AB's Brick House. The cost is \$5 for three cards and up to 12 games.

November teen activities

The following Bitburg Annex Teen Center events are for members only, and take place at or start from the center, unless otherwise specified. Call Aslynn Rust at 452-7820 for teen program or event information.

- ♦ Combat Care Turkey Fun day, Nov. 12 from noon to 3 p.m. Team Eifel members are invited to the center to make Thanksgiving table centerpieces. Bingo games begin at 1 p.m. The Torch Club sells baked goods throughout the event.

- ♦ Tailgate party, Nov. 12 from 2-6 p.m. Teens sell hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and soda, and sponsor sporting activities throughout the event.

- ♦ Die Pyramids adventure day, Nov. 25. Transportation to Die Pyramids amusement park departs from the center at noon and returns at 6 p.m. Teens are encouraged to bring a packed lunch.

Bone marrow donations

Sabers are invited to attend a bone marrow donation registration drive Nov. 16 and Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Brick House. Attendees will have one tube of blood drawn after completing a registration form. To learn more about bone marrow donation, call Senior Master Sgt. Daniel DeMers at 452-2059 or visit www.dodmarrow.com.

Volunteer opportunities

- ♦ Bitburg High School seeks musicians to join its stage band to mentor students in swing and contemporary jazz music styles each Monday from 6:15-7:35 p.m. Some instruments are available for loan. Call Anton Andren at 452-9202 or e-mail anton.andren@eu.dodea.edu for details.

- ♦ Tutors are needed to coach high school students in math, science, English or other language studies one Tuesday or Wednesday each week from 2-3 p.m. at the school. Training is provided. Call 452-9202 or 452-9337 for details.

- ♦ The Spangdahlem Civil Air Patrol seeks a volunteer to help teach youth cadets about aerospace education one or two Thursday evenings each month. E-mail civilair.patrol@spangdahlem.af.mil for more information.

- ♦ The American Red Cross seeks volunteers to help in a variety of capacities. Call the ARC Office at 452-9400.

- ♦ Bitburg Elementary School seeks volunteers to take photographs for its year book, to run after-school homework and math clubs, and to help in the school media center. Call the school at 452-9215 for more information.

Online research class

Take part in the library's online research class Nov. 17 at 6 p.m. in the education center's computer room, building 192. The class will show people how to use the library's online databases and find the information needed for research. For more information, call Stephanie Evers at 452-6203.

Harry Potter in Luxembourg

Catch a ride with the teen center to see the latest Harry Potter movie in Luxembourg Nov. 19 at 1 p.m. Participation is limited to 26 people, and ages 9-18 must have a signed permission slip from a parent. Youth must bring 6.50 euro for their admission fee plus additional funds for snacks. For details, call Patti Porter at 452-9206.

Operation Season's Greetings

Sabers can see country music band Trick Pony, along with John Popper of the platinum-selling band Blues Traveler, during Operation Season's Greetings Nov. 29 at 6:30 p.m. at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. The event is free to military identification card holders.

Spangdahlem Football Frenzy Week 9

Circle Your Choices for Each Game

Atlanta at Miami	San Diego at NY Jets
Carolina at Tampa Bay	Tennessee at Cleveland
Chicago at New Orleans	NY Giants at San Francisco
Cincinnati at Baltimore	Seattle at Arizona
Detroit at Minnesota	Pittsburgh at Green Bay
Houston at Jacksonville	Philadelphia at Washington
Oakland at Kansas City	Indianapolis at New England

Week 9 Tiebreaker

Total Number of Sacks in all Week 9 Games: _____

Club Member Rank/Name: _____

Unit: _____ Phone: _____ Last 4 of Club Card: _____

Favorite NFL Team: _____

1. Drop off completed entry forms at Club Eifel before end of 1st Quarter of 1st game each week.

2. One entry per Club member.



What's happening at
Club Eifel
this week?

MONGOLIAN BBQ



**FUN ASIAN FOOD
THAT WON'T COST YOU A FORTUNE**

Club Eifel Members: 60¢ per oz.
Nonmembers: add \$3 to the total cost



Get as much or as little as you like. Select from a wide variety of meats and vegetables, add sauces and watch the chefs stir fry it to perfection. We even include the fortune cookie... And we'll serve your meal on a plate, not in a cardboard box. It's a fun dining experience you'll want to enjoy again and again.



Der Markt

Free classifieds policy and submission deadlines

Der Markt is for the personal resale of items by military and civilian employees and their families. Items such as advertisements for rental property won't be published due to funded paper restraints. Ads should be 35 words or less and customers are limited to no more than two ads per week. Ads must be typed or printed legibly and turned into the public affairs office, building 23, at least **10 days before the desired date of publication**. Ads can also be e-mailed to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil or sent via fax to 452-5254. Having ads in by deadline does not guarantee publication. Ads for services generating regular income will not be published. The ads must include the sponsor's name and telephone number. Ads not meeting these requirements, including those exceeding the designated word limits, will not be printed. The Eifel Times staff reserves the right to edit ads.

Movies

The following movie listings are for today through Nov. 10. Times and movies are subject to change. For more information, call 06565-61-9441 or 452-9441. For movie synopses, visit www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp.

Spangdahlem Skyline

Today

Flightplan (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

A bereaved woman and her daughter are flying home from Berlin to America. At 30,000 feet, the child vanishes and nobody admits she was ever on that plane.

40-Year Old Virgin (R, 9:30 p.m.)

Goaded by his buddies, a nerdy guy who's never "done the deed" only finds the pressure mounting when he meets a single mother.

Saturday

Flightplan (7 p.m.)

40-Year Old Virgin (9:30 p.m.)

Sunday

Flightplan (4 p.m.)

40-Year Old Virgin (7 p.m.)

Monday

March of the Penguins (G, 7 p.m.)

Emperor penguins overcome daunting obstacles in order to return to their breeding grounds for mating season. This tells the story of one year in the life of a flock as they trek across the Antarctic on an annual journey that invokes just about every major life experience: from birth to death, from dating to mating, from comedy to tragedy, and from love to fighting for survival.

Tuesday

Flightplan (7 p.m.)

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Bitburg Castle

Today

The Skeleton Key (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

After acquiring a skeleton key, Caroline makes her way into a secret room within the attic where she discovers hair, blood, bones, spells and other instruments for practicing voodoo.

Undiscovered (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

An aspiring New York model falls in love with a struggling musician when they suddenly cross paths on a subway train. Over time, they both discover that the price of fame may be higher than anyone expected.

Saturday

Undiscovered (7 p.m.)

The Skeleton Key (9:30 p.m.)

Sunday

The Skeleton Key (4 p.m.)

Undiscovered (7 p.m.)

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

Undiscovered (7 p.m.)

Thursday

The Skeleton Key (7 p.m.)

Set 'course' for adventure with ODR ropes course; elevate to new heights

Story and photo by Ann Berdahl
Spangdahlem Middle School health and physical education teacher

Twenty-one students from Spangdahlem Middle School participated in the ropes course Oct. 14 at the Oberweis Annex.

The course is filled with a variety of low and high elements, in which the students, use teamwork and problem solving to crawl, climb, swing, balance, jump and pull themselves through to solve the elements.

"What I thought the ropes course was going to be like was very scary, freaky, and I didn't think I was going to be able to do all of them, especially when my friends kept saying that there is a very tall one at the end. Now that just gave me chills," said Alex Moya, SMS seventh grader. "What really happened at the ropes course was amazing. There were so many great things to do, so many events and courses, and it was just so much fun."

The primary goal of the ropes course is for a group of people to realize that strength comes from the team -- versus any one individual, said Mike Kirsch, 52nd Services Squadron ODR program director.

"As a team encounters different elements, they start to work together to complete the elements," he added. "People realize strengths



Faith Leipert, right, daughter of Tech. Sgt. Gary Leipert, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron, 'walks the line' as fellow Spangdahlem Middle Schoolers look on.

and weaknesses within the groups and how they can overcome weaknesses by enhancing the strengths."

The course encompasses several elements. The low elements focus on solving problems within teams and working through issues that may arise during the activity. The high elements are individual challenges the students face to conquer their fears and increase their belief in themselves.

Together, the two parts of the ropes course came together to help the students improve their teamwork and problem solving in a fun and exciting way.

"I thought (the ropes course) would be like a 'hidden in the for-

est' type area, with obstacle courses all around. I was sort of right," said Rachel Torres, SMS seventh grader. "There were obstacle courses such as teambuilding obstacles and individual high elements, too. My favorite thing was the tightrope element. It was something that I would never have thought that I could do. It was so fun that I hope I can go again!"

(Senior Airman Eydie Sakura, 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs contributed to this story).

Youth activities, squadron sports days

To reserve the ropes course, call ODR at 452-7170. The course is in high demand and should be booked at least two weeks in advance. Groups should be no smaller than 10 people; however the course can accommodate two groups of 15 people per group at a time. The cost per person is \$15 per half day and \$20 for the whole day. The ropes course will be closed once ice and snow start.

Out and About

(Editor's note: Event dates and times are subject to change. To confirm event details, call the telephone information office at 11833 and ask for a number to the tourist office in the town the event takes place. For event tickets, call the Press-Center Trier at 06511-459930, the Trier Tourist Information Office at 06519-780822 or the Trier Ticket Service at 06519-941188, unless specified otherwise.)

♦ Listen to a classical concert **today** at 8 p.m. at the Wittlich Synagogue cultural center. Compositions by Mozart will be performed on violin, cello and piano.

♦ A Federweissen wine festival takes place **today** through **Sunday** in Cochem.

♦ See Sarah Connor in concert **Saturday** at the Trier Arena.

♦ Enjoy a concert by the 10-person Dutch Willem Breuker Kollektief jazz band **Saturday** at 8:30 p.m. at the Wittlich Hotel Lindenhof. For more information, go to <http://www.xs4all.nl/~wbk/> or call Hildegard Adams at 06571-28522.

♦ See the Simon & Garfunkel Revival Band in concert **Nov. 12** at the Pruem Wandalbert Hauptschule school.

♦ Listen to rock'n roll tunes by Spinning Wheel **Nov. 12** at the Konz Fahl Freizeit Treff.

♦ Enjoy new country rock by Sonic Season **Nov. 12** at the Konz Fahl Freizeit Treff.

♦ Mark your calendars for the **Nov. 26-27** Dudeldorf Christmas market. More information on this year's markets will appear in an upcoming *Eifel Times*.

♦ Reserve your tickets to the popular SWR 1 Christmas Moments concert show by Thomas Schwab & Band. For more information or tickets go to www.christmas-moments.de or www.eventim.de.

♦ Take a trip to Frankfurt with the community center to see the Black-Eyed Peas concert **Dec. 2**. The cost is \$86 per person and includes round trip bus transportation to Frankfurt. The bus departs Spangdahlem AB, building 125 at 3:30 p.m. and returns **Dec. 3** at 1 a.m. Payment is due upon sign-up and is limited to 40 people, age 18 and older. Deadline to sign up is **Nov. 25**.

♦ See the world-famous "A Christmas Carol" by the New World Theatre Group **Nov. 30** through **Dec. 3** in Luxembourg City at the newly refurbished Neumuenster Abbey in the Grund. Shows are nightly at 8 p.m. with a Saturday matinee at 3 p.m. Tickets are 18 euro for adults and 12 euro for students. For reservations, e-mail christmascarol.lux@gmail.com or call 00352-028-181-767.

Register for the following trips at the Information, Tickets and Travel Office located in the Spangdahlem AB Community Center. Call 452-6567 to register.

♦ Metz City and Flea Market, **Nov. 13**

♦ Neustadt and Karlsbad Express, **Nov. 19**

♦ Oberhausen CentrO Mall shopping, **Nov. 19**

♦ Berlin, Warsaw and Dresden, **Nov. 23-27**

♦ Florence and Venice, **Nov. 23-26**

♦ Rothenburg Christmas Market, **Nov. 26**

Sports Briefs

Correction

The cutline for photo, "Hey batter, batter!" on Page 8 of the Oct. 28 *Eifel Times* edition should have identified Staff Sgt. Nathan Shehow as a 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron support technician, deployed with the 23rd Expeditionary Fighter Squadron to Siauliai Air Base, Lithuania.

JAM! basketball tourney

The Just Airmen! three-on-three basketball tournament takes place Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center. Contests include free-throw, three-point, dunk, and a three-on-three basketball game. Cost is \$5 for unlimited participation. Proceeds benefit JAM! activities. Call Senior Airman Jason Odum at 452-4018 for more information.

Basketball news

For more information, call Mark Warner at 452-6634.

- ♦ The Fall Classic intramural basketball tournament takes place Nov. 14-18 at 5 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center. Cost is \$100 per team for the double-elimination event.

- ♦ Meetings for intramural basketball coaches and the over-30 basketball league take place Nov. 16 at 3 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center. Letters of Intent to play and team rosters are due at the meeting. Both basketball seasons begin Nov. 21.

Racquetball news

Call Mark Warner at 452-6634 for more information.

- ♦ The Fall Classic racquetball tournament takes place Nov. 14-30 in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center. Registration deadline is Tuesday for the double-elimination event.

- ♦ Racquetball season opens Dec. 5. The submission deadline for players' Letters of Intent to play and coaches' rosters of players is Nov. 23. A coaches meeting takes place Nov. 23 at 3 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB fitness center conference room.

Wrestling championships

The 2005 U.S. Forces Europe MWR Wrestling Championships take place Dec. 9-11 in Wiesbaden, Germany. The registration deadline is Dec. 10. Freestyle wrestling takes place Dec. 10 and Greco-Roman style is played Dec. 11. The event is open to all active-duty members. Call 337-5943 or visit www.mwr-europe.com for more information.

Skiing

A Thanksgiving Swiss glacier skiing trip takes place Nov. 23-27. Cost is \$290 for a dormitory-style room and \$365 for a double room. Call 52nd Services Squadron Outdoor Recreation at 452-7170 for details.

Yoga

Yoga classes take place each Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Spangdahlem AB Health and Wellness Center first floor fitness room. The class is for people practicing on the beginner and intermediate levels who seek to improve their flexibility and overall health. Comfortable, close-fitting clothing is recommended, and participants are invited to exercise barefoot. Registration is not required. Call the HAWC at 452-7385 for details.

Fitness center news

- ♦ Spangdahlem AB fitness center renovations take place now through about mid-November. The aerobics room is closed for renovations through Nov. 18. All classes temporarily take place in the gymnasium.

- ♦ The Spangdahlem AB fitness center is open Monday-Friday from 4:30 a.m. to 11:30 p.m., and Saturday, Sunday and holidays from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The Bitburg Annex center is open to annex residents by using a facility key, which is issued at the Spangdahlem AB fitness center customer service desk. Call 452-6634 for more information.

Champions!

Spangl's men's soccer wins USAFE, Army/Air Force titles

By Staff Sgt. Brandon Parongao

Spangdahlem Air Base men's soccer coach

Spangdahlem Air Base beat Aviano Air Base, Italy, 3-2 in an all-Air Force championship game Sunday at Camp Darby, Italy, to capture the Army/Air Force soccer bragging rights.

After winning the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Championships Oct. 17-23 against Aviano AB 5-1, the Sabers were propelled into the Army/Air Force Final Four Championship tournament, competing against top ranking teams from the Army and Air Force.

The Sabers first faced the fast and relentless Stuttgart Army team and walked away with a 3-0 win. Next was the Aviano AB team. As this was the third time these two teams met in a one-week period, this game was destined to be a close match.

The final score was 1-0 with the victory coming late in the second half for the Sabers. The third and final round-robin match was against the Army USAFE champions from NATO Air Base Geilenkirchen, Germany. Another tough match ensued as the Sabers once again pulled off a win late in the second half 1-0.

The Sabers finished at the top of the bracket and advanced to the final game sending both Army teams packing. Two key players arrived just the day before who brought new life to the Aviano



Tracy Brewer

Ryan Harris, left, 52nd Operations Support Squadron, takes on a player from Incirlik Air Base, Turkey, during the first game of the U.S. Air Forces in Europe Championships Oct. 17 at Camp Darby, Italy. The Sabers won 3-0.

AB offense, which was immediately apparent as they destroyed the team prior to the final match.

The final game started a little rocky for the dominating Sabers as Aviano AB scored two early goals in the first half. The Sabers were relentless; they saw their chances slipping away as the Aviano AB keeper continued to stop all shots.

With composure and discipline, the Sabers continued to chip away at the Aviano AB defense, scoring their first goal late in the first half and the second goal shortly after. At halftime, the score was even at 2-2. The pace of the second half matched that of the first as

the two teams were deadlocked.

With 20 minutes left in the match, a ball was chipped over the Aviano AB defense where Dale Davis pushed through and placed the ball past the goalkeeper and into the back of the net.

The rest of the match remained scoreless and the Spangdahlem Saber Men's Soccer team came away with the Army/Air Force Final Four USAFE Men's Soccer Championship first place trophy, returning the trophy back to an Air Force team after a five-year drought.

(Capt. J. Donavon Kneuer, 52nd Maintenance Group, contributed to this story.)

Football: Barons battle back to beat SHAPE

By Simon Shaw

Bitburg High School student

The last time the Bitburg Barons paid a visit to the Spartans of Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Belgium, SHAPE celebrated a 28-8 victory. In the Division II playoffs held there Oct. 29, SHAPE played a different team altogether. Bitburg came back from a 16-6 deficit, winning a trip to the D-II Championship with their 31-24 victory.

It was a hard-fought battle by both teams. Corey Legister of Bitburg dominated the ground game with 180 yards on 26 carries. Legister had touchdown runs of eight and 41 yards. SHAPE's Zack Rabiego had 104 yards on five carries with touchdown runs of 41 and 43 yards.

Quinten Fowler added 63 yards on 15 carries for the Spartans. Bitburg's other touchdown runs were a one-yard run by fullback Chris Ramos, a five-yard run by Al'quel Hodges and a three-yard run by Josh Collett.

SHAPE's defense was led by Doug O'Meara's 19 tackles. Jimmy Murtha added 10 tackles and a fumble recovery. Mike Clampitt had 12 tackles and returned a fumble 37 yards for a touchdown. Keith Wagner gave SHAPE their third fumble recovery. SHAPE's three takeaways were surpassed by the seven takeaways from Bitburg's devastating defense.

Al'quel Hodges and Josh Collett snatched two interceptions each, while Jon Collett, Tito Messina and Colin Huffaker each gobbled up a fumble recovery. Messina led the Barons with 13 tackles. Patrick Hardy had 10 tackles and Josh Collett added nine.

Up next for the Bitburg Barons is the division championship game Saturday at 4 p.m. against undefeated D-II South champions the Hanau Panthers at Minnick Field in Baumholder, Germany. Admission to the game is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

People interested in taking a bus to the game to support the Barons football team should call Mia Checkley at 01605-520834 no later than 10 p.m. tonight. The cost is 10 euro per person and the bus leaves the Bitburg Annex commissary Saturday at 1:30 p.m., and the Spangdahlem AB housing office parking lot at 2 p.m.

Directions to Baumholder

Take exit 5 off A-62 (Freisen/Baumholder exit) and turn right. Travel approximately 10 km. to yellow sign for Baumholder and turn right. Travel approximately four km. to traffic light. Turn left at the light onto Ringstrasse and follow road to the next traffic light. The main gate is directly ahead. Once on the post at Chicago Gate, travel straight along Chicago Avenue to Avenue D and turn right; then left on Field Street (this is at the south end of the football field). Then turn left on Turner Street and park on the street near the gym.

BHS tennis team takes second place at championships

By Pete Vadney

Bitburg High School tennis coach

The Bitburg High School Barons tennis team traveled to Wiesbaden, Germany, Saturday to do battle with all of the tennis players in the Department of Defense Dependent Schools, and arrived home victoriously with a second-place finish in the Division II category.

- ♦ Jennica Botonis remained undefeated heading into the tournament semifinals, ultimately losing in the 3-4 bracket to finish in fourth place.

- ♦ John Pendergrass won five matches in the tournament, but was bumped out by the number three finisher and finished in fifth place.

- ♦ The doubles team of Ashley Fary and Jackie Ventrice also made it to the semifinals and finished in fifth place.